

Fiscal Services Division Legislative Services Agency Fiscal Note

SF 2276 - Inmate Labor (LSB 6325 SV)

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Description

Senate File 2276 allows inmate labor to be used on a project or improvement at a State institution if inmate labor constitutes more than 75.0% of the labor used on the project. Current law allows inmate labor to be used on improvement projects that cost \$25,000 or less. Under current law, the Director of the Department of Administrative Services contracts for an improvement project at State institutions in excess of \$25,000.

Assumptions

1. For most construction projects, labor represents from 33.0% to 50.0% of total project costs. Under the Bill, these projects would not be eligible for the use of inmate labor.
2. For projects such as tuck-pointing or demolition, labor represents from 66.0% to 100.0% of total project costs. These projects would be eligible for the use of inmate labor.
3. There may be projects that are eligible for the use of inmate labor under SF 2276, however, the project's location may preclude the use of inmate labor due to security concerns or transportation costs.
4. The amount of savings generated by the use of inmate labor is dependent upon the specific project and location.

Fiscal Impact

The fiscal impact of SF 2276 cannot be determined due to insufficient information. Savings may result in State institutional budgets for building repair and maintenance, however, no estimate is available.

Source

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